

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants

L. DUMOUTIER, et al.

Serial No.

Divisional of 09/419,568 09/751,797

Filed

Herewith

For

ISOLATED NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULES WHICH ENCODE T

CELL INDUCIBLE FACTORS (TIFs), THE PROTEINS

ENCODED, AND USES THEREOF

Art Unit

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To Be Assigned

Examiner

To Be Assigned

December 29, 2000

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Washington, D.C. 20231

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend this application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 2: after "is" add -- a continuation of Serial No. 09/419,568, filed October 18,

1999, which is --

IN THE CLAIMS

Cancel claims 2, 5, 6, 9, 12, 13, 17 and 20-49 without prejudice.